

**Chambers of Senior Judge Robert E. Cowen**

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**Robert E. Cowen**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1930

Education: Drake 1952 BS; Rutgers (Newark) 1958 LLB

Began Service: November 1987

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Affiliation:** Lecturer, Institute of Continuing Legal Education

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Walter Conklin, New Jersey Superior Court (1958-1959)

**Government:** Assistant Prosecutor, County of Essex, New Jersey (1969-1970); Deputy Attorney General, Organized Crime and Special Prosecutions Section, Criminal Justice Division, United States Department of Justice (1970-1973); Director, Division of Ethics & Professional Services, Administrative Office of the Courts, State of New Jersey (1973-1978)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (1978-1985); District Judge, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (1985-1987)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Schreiber, Lancaster & Demos (1959-1961); Private Practice (1961-1969)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1953-1954)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association, Fellow; Federal Judges Association; National Association of Bar Counsel; New Jersey State Bar

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**Richard L. Nygaard**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1940

Education: USC 1969 BS; Michigan 1971 JD

Began Service: November 1988

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan



**Academic:** Senior Lecturer, Pennsylvania State University (1999-2003)

**Government:** County Councilman, County of Erie, Pennsylvania (1977-1981)

**Judicial:** Judge, Pennsylvania Court of Common Pleas, Sixth District (1981-1988)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Orton, Nygaard & Dunlevy (1972-1981)

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve (1958-1964)

**Current Memberships:** Erie County Bar Association; Pennsylvania Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Supreme Court Justice:** To Be Determined

**Areas Covered:** Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia

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**William W. Wilkins**

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1942

Education: Davidson 1964 BA;

South Carolina 1967 JD

Began Service: July 1986

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Political Affiliation: Republican

**Affiliation:** Member (R), Judicial Conference of the United States

**Academic:** Part-time Instructor, Greenville Technical College (1973-1997); Lecturer, Taft Seminar, Clemson University (1976-1980)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr., United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (1969-1970)

**Chambers of Chief Judge William W. Wilkins continued**

**Government:** State Campaign Director, Senator Thurmond Re-Election Campaign (1972); Legislative Assistant, U.S. Senator Strom Thurmond (R-SC), United States Senate (1970-1971); Assistant County Solicitor, Office of the County Solicitor, County of Greenville, South Carolina (1973-1974); Chair, United States Sentencing Commission (1985-1994)

**Judicial:** Judge, United States District Court for the District of South Carolina (1981-1986); Assistant Circuit Solicitor, Office of the Circuit Solicitor, 13th Judicial Circuit (1971-1972); Solicitor, 13th Judicial Circuit (1974-1981); Chair, Committee on Criminal Law of the Judicial Conference of the United States (1999-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Wilkins, Wilkins, Nelson & Kittredge (1971-1978)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1967-1969); United States Army Reserve (1969-1983); South Carolina National Guard (1983-1994)

**Current Memberships:** South Carolina Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Matthew Fitzer** ..... (864) 271-9606

Education: South Carolina 1995 JD

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Education: Houston 2005 JD

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Education: Arkansas 1998 JD

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**J. Harvie Wilkinson III**

Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1944

Education: Yale 1967 BA; Virginia 1972 JD

Began Service: August 13, 1984

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Assistant then Associate Professor of Law, University of Virginia (1973-1984)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Lewis F. Powell, Supreme Court of the United States (1972-1973)

**Corporate:** Editor, Virginian-Pilot (1978-1981)

**Government:** Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, United States Department of Justice (1982-1983)

**Judicial:** Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

**Military Service:** United States Army Reserve (1968-1969)

**Current Memberships:** American Law Institute; Virginia Bar Association

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**H. Emory Widener, Jr.**

Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1923

Education: Naval Acad 1944 BS; Washington and Lee 1953 LLB

Began Service: 1972

Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** University of Texas School of Law (1974); Washington & Lee School of Law (1998-2004); William & Mary School of Law (1999-2004)

**Government:** General Receiver, Corporation Court, City of Bristol, Virginia

**Judicial:** Commissioner, United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia (1963-1966); Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia (1969-1972)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Widener, Widener & Frackleton (and predecessor firms) (1953-1969)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1944-1949); United States Navy (1951-1952)

**Current Memberships:** American Law Institute; Virginia Bar Association; Virginia State Bar

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**Paul V. Niemeyer**

Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1941

Education: Kenyon 1962 AB; Notre Dame 1966 JD

Began Service: 1990

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Lecturer in Advanced Business Law, Johns Hopkins University (1971-1975)

**Judicial:** Judge, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1988-1990)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Piper & Marbury (1966-1974); Partner, Piper & Marbury (1974-1988)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Foundation; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Law Institute; Federal Bar Association; Lawyers Round Table; Maryland Bar Foundation; Wednesday Law Club

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